Unutilised Irrigation Project

643. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state;

'(a) whether it is a faci that an amount of Rs. 1600 crores has been locked up in unutilised irrigation projects in the country at present;

(b) if so, what are the reasons there-for; and

(c) whai are the state-wise and pro ject-wise details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOP-MENT AND IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRl *P.* K THUNGON): (a) to (c) 158 major, 226 medium and 98 extension/renovation/ modernisation (ERM) irrigation projects envisacing ultimate irrigation potential' oi 24812000 hectares and estimate to cost Rs. 65,576 crores spilled over into VIT1 Plan. VIII Plan outlay for these projects is Rs. 22,400 crores against an amount of Rs. 40,563 crores required for their completion. The Statewise details of the ongoing major, medium and ERM projects are given In the Annexure *[See* Appendix 172, Annexure No. 13].

Keeping in view the project-wise VIIT

Plan outlay, 55 major, 98 medium and and 15 ERM projects are scheduled for completion in the VIH Plan.

Irrigation is a State subject and irrigation projects are planned, funded and formulated by 'the Stales out of their plan resources,. However, to ensure timely completion of irrigation projects the Central' Water Commission has heen entrusted with monitoring of selected projects.

Rushikiitya Irrigation Project

644 SHRl SARADA MOHANTY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state;

(a)' whether the Rushikulya Irrigation Project in Orissa has been included in tha Eighth Five Yeir Plan perod tinder the command Area Development Prog-

'(b) if so, the irrigation potential of that project;

(c) the funds allocated therefor during the Eighth Plan period; and

(d) the progress made so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND IN THE MINISTRY OP WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K THUNGON): *(a)* Yes, Sir.

(b) Irrigation Potential of tbe project is 61,230 hectares during Kharif and 6,000 hectares during Rabi.

(c) No funds have heen allocated during' the 8th Plan.

(d) The project Was included under CAD programme in August 1994. Only-topographical survey and alignment is under progress as preliminary work

Funds for completion of SYL Canal

645. SHRI S. S. SURJEWALA; Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have released Rs. 600 crores to Punjab Government for the completion of the SY.L. Canal, if so, the details thereof;

(b) by which *dnte,* the remaining work of the SY.L. Canal situated in Punjab territory is likely to be complated;

(c) what is tlie total' damage/wear and tear caused to the built portion in Punjab/ Haryana Territory;

(d) what is the total cost incurred on the costmction of S.Y L. Canal in Punjab Portion till date; and

(e) what is the likely es*imate of the total cost on the completion of fji's Canal including the cost overrun in perceytfUgi terms? ^r >

THE MTNISTER OF STATE IN THI MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOP MENT AND TN THE MINISTRY OI WATER RESOURCJES (SHRT P. K THUNGON): (a) The Cene/al Govern ment has released Rs. 499. *V* crores tc